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Government: Some ineligible redress claims may be reversed

Japanese American groups met with Acting Assistant Attorney General for Civil Rights James Turner and Office of Redress Administration (ORA) Administrator Paul Suddes Aug. 2 in Washington, D.C., to discuss ORA's redress ineligibility determinations. Attending were representatives from the Japanese American Citizens League (JACL), Japanese American Citizens League Legislative Education Committee (JACL-LEC), National Coalition for Redress and Reparations (NCRR) and Japanese Peruvian Oral History Project

To date, ORA has found 2,224 cases to be ineligible for redress. JACL, NCRR and other Japanese American community groups strongly objected to some of these determinations and ORA has been reviewing their concerns.

Among the issues discussed were the children of the "voluntary" internment camp re-entrants. JACL Washington Representative Karen Narasaki and NCRR representatives John Ota and Sox Kitashima set forth the case for eligibility. Turner announced that although ORA has not come to a final decision, it seemed to him that persons born into an environment they couldn't leave had suffered a serious loss of freedom and would be eligible for redress because they have been deprived of liberty. The Department of Justice has been reviewing these cases for several months and hopes to come out with a final determination before September. The decision could affect more than 80 claimants.

JACL National President Lillian C. See REDRESS/page 5

JACL denounces firebombings

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) has expressed outrage at the firebombing of NAACP branches in Tacoma, Wash., July 20, and in Sacramento, Calif., July 27. In Sacramento, FBI and the local police department are currently investigating the bombing as a hate crime.

"We are outraged over this latest show of bigotry," said Karen Narasaki, Washington, D.C., representative. "Hate crimes deprive individuals of their free exercise and enjoyment of rights secured by the Constitution."

In Sacramento, representatives from the Florin and Sacramento JACL chapters and other Asian American organizations viewed the bombing site and also met with officers from the Sacramento Chapter, NAACP.

In Tacoma, Karen Yoshitomi, regional director, Pacific Northwest District, wrote a letter on behalf of JACL offering support to the Tacoma NAACP.

"We must work to end discriminatory violence for it not only imparts physical injury but victimizes the whole community," said Carole Hayashino, JACL acting national director.

Piche re-sentenced in Loo murder case

Lloyd Ray Piche was re-sentenced from 48 months to 70 months in jail without parole for the eight counts of civil rights violation in the Ming Hai (Jim) Loo murder case. The ruling was made July 26 by U.S. District Court Judge James Fox in Wilmington, N.C. The Justice Department had appealed the original sentence for not meeting the minimum sentencing guidelines of from 70 to 87 months. That appeal was acknowledged last November.

The original restitution ordered of \$28,000 was reduced to \$4,750 with the state of North Carolina making the payment to the family for an additional amount. Lloyd Ray Piche's brother Robertis serving 37 years on second degree murder.

Cleveland tri-district workshops announced

Friday, Aug. 20, 10:45 a.m.-12:15 p.m.

Increasing and Retaining Membership: Presenters: Alan Nishi, JACL vice president, membership and commercial loan officer, Union Bank; Julie Sasaki, membership chair, Detroit Chapter, JACL, and buyer, Rockwell Automotive; Lonnie Lin, EDC youth representative and graduate, Bryn Mawr College; moderator: Allan Hida, governor, Midwest District Council and retired high school teacher.

The workshop will offer nuts and bolts to conduct a chapter membership recruitment and retention program. The roles of the chapter membership chair and the National JACL in this process will be explored.

 Training New Leadership:

Presenter: Lillian Kimura, president, JACL, and retired associate executive director, National YWCA of USA; moderator: Patricia Ikeda Carper, president, Cincinnati Chapter, JACL, and director, Community Relations and Home Office Operations, Federated Department Stores.

The same JACL members are recruited from year to See WORKSHOPS/page 2

New York coalition protests Rising Sun

NEW YORK — Approximately 100 members of the the New York Coalition of Asian Pacific Americans Against Rising Sun protested the numerous Asian stereotypes and racial slurs in the movie Rising Sun at its July 30 opening here. The coalition, consisting of more than 20 Asian Pacific American organizations, staged a press conference for local ethnic, national, and international media followed by a protest demonstration. The demonstration was part of a concerted nationwide protest organized by National JACL.

The group is concerned that 20th Century Fox's new release, adapted from Michael Crichton's controversial novel Rising Sun, perpetuates negative stereotypes of Asians and Asian Pacific Americans.

Present were coalition chair Michael Ishii, Day of Remembrance Committee; Tom Kometani, president, New York Chapter,

JACL; Margaret Fung, executive director, Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund; Jonathan Sung Bidol, Committee Against Anti-Asian Violence; Karen Narasaki, JACL Washington D.C., representative; and Lillian Kimura, JACL president, who was interviewed by media. The speakers focused on the lack of positive Asian American roles to counter the negative images.

Narasaki said, "Kaufman and 20th Century Fox have said we have our own agenda. We do. Theirs is to make profits and ours is to fight against prejudice and discrimination. We don't doubt that Kaufman had good intentions, but he is not in our shoes. He doesn't have to live with

the results."

"During a preview of Rising Sun, I feltlike an 8-year-old kid again in Tule Lake Internment Camp watching a war propaganda movie with all the racist stereotyping of the Japanese," Kometani said. "Fifty years later, anti-Asian sentiment still hits close to home. My Yonsei son is harassed on a Florida highway by a man in a pick-up truck who has a large sign in the rear window that reads 'Japan Sucks.'

"The importance of the protest was the coming together of the Asian Pacific American communities as a single voice to demand that the entertainment industry exercise responsibility to reflect the diversity of America in their product,' Kometani said.

MORE VIEWS-Readers have their say on Rising Sun—page 9.



CRAIG MURANAKA

L.A. protesters

Another coalition of Asian Americans, including members of JACL, demonstrate against Rising Sun at its premiere in Westwood, Calif., July 31. Approximately 100 were present to distribute informational material and carry placards.

Asian Pacific group criticizes Clinton's restrictions on political asylum

Fearing a new wave of anti-immigrant fervor in America, the National Asian Pacific American Legal Consortium (NAPALC) sharply criticized President Clinton's proposal to place new restrictions on political asylum. NAPALC said that the Clinton Administration's plan, which would allow the U.S. to deny asylum and quickly deport an alien to any country visited along the way, runs contrary to existing international standards on granting asylum.

"We are appalled and oppose the administration's summary exclusion bill," said Bill Tamayo, Asian Law Caucus managing attorney. "It is anti-refugee, and anti-humanitar-

ian, and it contradicts this nation's tradition of giving people a true opportunity to apply for political asylum."

NAPALĆ, which is made up of the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund in New York, the Asian Law Caucus in San Francisco and the Asian Pacific American Legal Center in Los Angeles, said the proposal will result in legitimate refugees being summarily excluded without due process. The organization is also opposing Congressional efforts to mix asylum and reform issues with the problem of immigrant smuggling.

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Improving communication: Thoughts from JACL officials

By GWEN MURANAKA Assistant editor

A hate crime occurs in your community. You're worried, wondering what may happen to you or other Asian Americans in the area. What should you do? What should your local chapter do? What should national JACL do?

Pacific Citizen asked a number of JACL members at the local and national levels how the organization can improve its ability to respond to pressing issues.

In general, most believed that effective communication was essential—and that problems have often occurred when it was lacking.

From her perspective, Carole Hayashino, JACL acting national director, said that, in

HAYASHINO tional levels."

general, "when an issue arises at the local community level it's important to provide as much information to National as possible, including recommended actions National may take. Communication is really a partnership among local, district and na-

Hayashino emphasized that it's important to carry on dialogue among the three levels and that each is kept informed of all activities.

One of the problems in the past, however, has been no clear-cut line of authority.

"There's a clear lack of commonly known, roles and expectations for the regional directors, governors and president as directed to communication," said Lucy Kishiue, NCNWPD governor.

Kishiue's suggestions: When a problem occurs locally, the individual should contact their chapter president who then informs their regional director who in turn notifies district governor. On issues which

may have both local and national impact, all levels of JACL need to be informed.

"Procedurally, there needs to be a way we're in sync with the national position. Con-



KANEKO

explained to chapter members who have to handle questions from local media." Bill Kaneko, JACL

versely, it needs to be

national vice president, Public Affairs, agreed that there is no set process of communication

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Calendar

Ohio Cleveland

Thu.-Sun. Aug. 19-22- JACL EDC-MDC-MPDC Tri-District Conference, Sheraton Cleveland City Centre Hotel, 777 St. Claire Ave. NE. THU.: Registration and hospitality; FRI .: Workshops, luncheon Karen Narasaki, speaker, banquet, Irene Natividad, speaker; SAT .: Workshops, Midwest Bash; SUN .: Tridistrict meeting.; SAT-SUN, Chicago Taiko Drum performance, Harkness Chapel, Case Western Resrve University; Registration: \$90, Joyce Asamoto-Theus, treas., 216/582-5443; 10053 Hawley Dr., North Royalton, OH 44133. Hotel: \$75/night, single or double; \$85/ night, triple or quad. Information: Hank Tanaka 216/229-2491.

Michigan Detroit

Sat. Aug. 8—JACL annual community picnic, Hines Park, Warrendale Picnic Area B, Dearborn Heights, noon; Information: Ernie Otani, 313/947-0108.

Minnesota Mpls.-St. Paul

Sun. Aug. 15—JACL Twin Cities golf tournament, Minneapolis Gross Golf Course. Registration: \$5 JACLers, \$7.50 non-members, pay green fee at the course. Information: Charissa Uemura 612/225-8219.

Fri. Aug. 27—JACL Twin Cities / National Japanese American Historical Society photographic exhibit of WWII camp experience, part of touring exhibit of "Anne Frank in the World," First Trust Center Great Hall, 180 E. 6th St., St. Paul; Mon.-Fri. 9 a.m.-9 p.m. through Oct. 6. Information: Charissa Uemura 612/225-8219.

Florida Delray Beach

Sat. Aug. 14— Obon festival, Japan America Society of South Florida / Morikami Museum, 4 p.m., 4000 Morikami Rd., north of Boca Raton city line. Information: 407/495-0233.

Oregon Portland

Sat. Aug. 7-Obonfest, 3-9 p.m., Matsuri taiko, obon odori, children's corner, temple talks, martial arts, ethnic foods. [Obon service, Aug. 1, 10 a.m.] Oregon Buddhist church, 3720 SE 34th Ave. and Powell Blvd. Information: Rev. Julie Hanada-Lee 503/234-9456, Etsu Osaki 503/254-9456.

Nevada Las Vegas

Sat. Aug. 21—Buddhist Sangha 5th annual Obon Festival, Zelzah Shriners Hall, 2222 W. Mesquite Ave., noon-5 p.m. Information: Minoru Aoki 702/362-3742.

California San Francisco

Fri. Aug. 20-JCCCNC awards dinner, Hotel Nikko, 222 Mason St., 5:30 cocktails, 6:30 dinner, benefactor table \$1,500; community table \$750; single tickets \$75. Information: JCCCNC Office 415/567-5505.

Eastbay

Sun. Aug. 15-Art exhibit deadline for 1994 Oshogatsu Festival Dec. 5-Jan. 23 at Berkeley Art Center, 1275 Walnut St.; performances or works must incorporate Japanese influences, Bob Hanamura, curator (former Univ. of Michigan Art School Gallery director). Information: Berkeley Art Center, Robbin Henderson 510/644-6893.

Mon. Aug. 16-JASEB-Union Bank in-

vitational golf classic, 2-best ball foursome format, Round Hill Golf and Country Club, Alamo. Information: JASEB Office-Laura Takeuchi 510/848-3560.

Peninsula area

Sat. Aug. 14—JACL San Mateo family potluck, 5-8 p.m., S.M. Senior Center, 2645 Alameda; RSVP Aug. 9, 415/343-

Tues., Aug. 17—JACL San Mateo trip to Pasta Moon Cafe, Half Moon Bay, 10 a.m. Bus pickup: San Mateo Buddhist Church parking lot, 2 S. Claremont St. Cost: \$2, lunch on your own. Information: 415/343-2793.

Sun. Aug. 29—JACL San Mateo Yosh Kojimoto memorial golf tournament, San Mateo Muni Golf Course, Coyote Point, 10:30 a.m.; \$42 with cart; \$35 without cart. Sign-up deadline: Aug. 8. Information: Vince Asai, 745 Pico Ave., San Mateo, CA 94403, 415/349-3590.

San Jose area

Sat. Aug. 7-JACL San Jose tennis tournament, West Valley College. Cost: \$20, per team. Information: Sayeko Nakamura 408/267-9032, or Yoshi Deguchi 408/295-6457.

Sat. Aug. 28—JACL West Valley Daruma Festival, Information: JACL 408/ 253-0458.

Stockton

Sat. Aug. 14—Shasta Taiko in Concert, UOP Faye Spanos Concert Hall, 7-9 p.m., tickets \$10 Red Wing Shoe Stores, Ashlee's & Stockton Mattress Co., Image Uniforms, The Gym (Lodi). Information: Jerry Baba 209/477-7865, Larry Creel 209/462-3991.

Fresno-Central Cal

Sat. Aug. 28—JACL Fresno 70th anniversary celebration, Bill Hosokawa, keynote speaker, Belmont Country Club, RSVP by Aug. 14, \$25 per person, \$20 students. Information: JACL 209/486-

Los Angeles-Orange

Fri. Aug. 6-Asian and Pacific Coalition on Aging seminar for family caregivers, Sunshine Adult Day Care Center, 3100 S. Jefferson Blvd., L.A. 90018. Information: 213/731-6684. Sat. Aug. 7—Gila River Monument coordination meeting, Sei Dyo Mobile Home Park, 21207 S. Avalon Blvd., Carson, 10 a.m. Information: Sue Koyama 213/728-3514, Joe Allman 602/942-2832.

Sun. Aug. 8-Aikido Center's martial arts exhibition, 18 guest masters from Japan in swordsmanship, iaido, kendo, judo, karate, aikido; Japan America Theatre, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, noon. Tickets: \$12, before Aug. 1; \$15, at door. Information: 213/687-3673, JAT box office 213/680-3700.

Sun. Aug. 8-Nikkei Widowed Group picnic, Sam and Hazel Endo's Place, 16600 S. Hoover, Gardena., 11 a.m.-4 p.m.; bento & bingo; Bento order \$6: Yuri Sakamoto 213/291-3312, payable to Tak Shibuya, treas., 12432 Allin St., Los Angeles, CA 90066. [NWG meets 2nd Sundays at JACCC, Room 4B, 244 S. San Pedro St., Los Angeles, 1:30-4:30 p.m. Information: Karl Oike, pres., 310/837-7662, or June Ichinose, sec., 818/288-7169.]

Fri. Aug. 13—JACL Greater L.A. Singles meeting, Gardena Founders' Bank, Gramercy Pl. and Redondo Beach Blvd., 7 p.m., Dr. Satoshi Kamada, internistcardiologist to speak on "Measures to take to remain healty and free of ailments." Information: Joyce Kuruma 310/ 691-9686

Southern California

Sun. Aug. 8-JACL Ventura County bus trip to Little Tokyo Nisei Week parade and activities, \$10 per person; starting 11 a.m. from Oxnard. Call: Mori Abe, Camarillo 805/484-1570, or Joanne-Ken Nakano, Westlake Village 818/991-0876.

Fri.-Sun. Aug. 13-15-Multi-Cultural Festival, Riverside Convention Center, 3443 Orange St., Fri., 5 p.m.; open Sat., 9 a.m.; Sun., 10 a.m. Food, arts, crafts, exhibits. Information: 909/466-6505. Sun. Aug. 15—JACL San Diego/Union

of Pan Asian Communities film classic series: "The Wash," written by Philip Gotanda, directed by Michael Uno, stars Nobu McCarthy, Mako, Patty Yasutake and Marion Yue; Kiku Gardens Senior Housing Project, 1260 Third Ave., Chula Vista, 2 p.m. (free to seniors, others \$2 donations) Information: Kiku Gardens, 619/422-4951.

WORKSHOPS

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year to take leadership roles. Volunteer-burnout, shrinkage of programs because of a lack of volunteers and general discontent are some of the results. The workshop will focus on how to develop and train JACL leadership.

 Adding the WWII Japanese American Experience into School Curricula

Presenters:

-Teresa Maebori, governor, Eastern District Council; member, JACL Education Committee; and elementary school teacher at Germantown Friends School, Philadelphia.

-Sharon Ishii Jordan, governor, Mountain Plains District; member, JACL Education Committee; and professor of Special Education, University of Ne-

Moderator, John Fuyuume, retired vice president, Gotaas-Larson Shipping Corporation of Bermuda and director, Seabrook Educational and Cultural Cen-

A comprehensive teacher's resource guide was developed in 1992-93 by the National JACL on the impact of E.O. 9066 which violated the constitutional rights of Americans of Japanese ancestry. The workshop will focus on the use of this guide, the importance of teaching about diversity, and in learning about the constitutional rights of all Americans

Saturday, Aug. 21, 1:30-3 p.m. Needs and Issues of Older Asian Americans

Presenters:

—Barbara Iwanaga King, RN, PhD., professor of Social Work. Case Western Reserve University. -Panel of retirees of the Cleve-

land Assocation of Retired Persons: Eva Hashiguchi, Sadie Yamane, Mike Asazawa. -Moderator: Shig Okada, MSSA, retired; executive direc-

tor, Golden Age Centers of Cleveland; board member, Western Reserve Area Agency on Aging. Cultural values and intergenerational concerns are important to Asian Americans as they enter

their twilight years. How do these values and concerns impact on their plans to meet future housing, social and health needs? Workshop will focus on specific ways to help meet the needs of the older Asian Americans. Workshop will be videotaped.

 Issues Facing Youth and Young Adults

-Presenters: Sharon Ishii Jordan, governor, Mountain Plains District, and professor, University of Nebraska:

-Emily Durham, youth repre-See WORKSHOPS/ page 3

Small kid time

Gwen Muranaka



Chinese group grades Clinton

In the eyes of the Organization of Chinese Americans, Inc., the Clinton administration received a "D" on "appointments," "B+" on "issues" and a "C" overall on a sixmonth report card as it impacts the Chinese American community. The report was released in New York City July 17 at the organization's 15th national convention.

The administration was judged by the number of Asian Pacific American presidential appointments made (five out of a possible 355) and the administration's actions on eight issues pertinent to the Chinese American communities. The eight issues were:

-Justice for Wards Cove workers act

-Hate crimes sentencing enhancement act

Criticizing the lack of appoint-

ments to major Los Angeles city

boards and commissions, the

Asian Pacific American Labor Al-

liance (APALA), AFL-CIO has

asked newly elected Mayor Rich-

ard Riordan to quickly rectify the

APALA Los Angeles chapter and

vice president of the 30,000-mem-

ber United Food and Commercial

Workers, Local 770, reported that

a letter was recently sent to the

new mayor demanding his future

appointments approximate the

Asian American population and

Ed Miyakawa, president of the

situation.

-Motor voter bill

-Repeal of employer sanctions provisions of the Immigration and Reform and Control Act

-Language of government act (English-only)

-Funding for EEOC minority outreach program

-Funding for redress education trust fund

-Restriction of legal immigration.

Report card co-author David Namkoong viewed the report card "as a snapshot of the present, as a feedback to the administration of the areas that need improvement

for APAs and for the country." Here are other recent OCA po-

sitions:

■ Stand on immigration: In wake of the highly publicized smuggling of undocumented Chinese immigrants and allegations

Labor group wants more Asian Pacific

that Asian Pacific individuals be

included on eight major boards

"Our letter was sent after Mayor

Riordan had made his initial ap-

pointments to the Police Commis-

sion where an Asian American

was not reappointed nor were we

represented on two major com-

mission announced later in the

day and targeted by APALA and

other community organizations,"

"Eight agencies targeted by

APALA, in addition to the Police

Commission, include Airport

Commission, Civil Service Com-

appointments by new L.A. mayor

and commissions.

Miyawaka said.

by certain INS officials that the Chinese American community is guilty of withholding knowledge about organized smuggling rings, OCA national President Ginny Gong declared the organization is committed to fair immigration policies and condemned the smuggling of undocumented immigrants for profit.

The OCA also called on the INS and other government agencies to cease tying the Chinese Americans to illegal and heinous activities of the immigrant smugglers, that the Chinese nationals be granted full due process under the law and accorded fair and humane treatment.

■ The OCA convention also resolved to mobilize its members for the 30th anniversary March on Washington for jobs, justice and peace on Aug. 28.

mission, Community Redevelop-

ment Agency, Harbor Commis-

sion, Human Relations Commis-

sion, Planning Commission, Board

of Public Works and Commission

one of the targeted agencies,

namely Planning . . . we are also

concerned with 10 women being

appointed out of 34 which trans-

lates to 29.4% compared to 49%

under (former L.A. Mayor) Tom

Bradley." Miyakawa also pointed

out that no union member has

been appointed to any position to

date.

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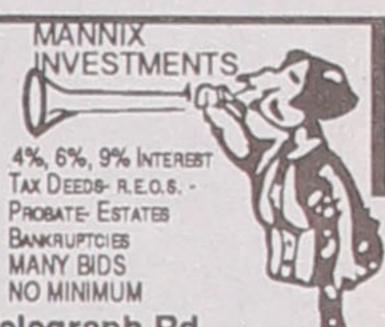
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sentative, Midwest District Council, and student, College of Wooster

-Moderator: Russell Matsunami, vice governor, Mountain Plains Distirct; president, Omaha Chapter, JACL; and an Omaha fire fighter.

The prevelance of drug abuse, gangs and AIDS among Asian American youth, the discrimination in higher education, the glass ceiling, and the search for ethnic identity are some of the issues faced by youth and young adults. Workshop will focus on how organizations, such as JACL can be of assistance in dealing with these issues.

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 Asian American Women in ing, etc., Asian women are also the Workplace

-Presenter: Karen Suzuki-Okabe, director, Human Resources Management Department, State of Utah; instructor, Graduate School of Management, Brigham Young University

-Moderator: Patti Adachi, manager/instructor, Chicago Taiko Group; member, Chicago Chapter, JACL, board.

Many Asian American women are entering work places previously not open to women. The trend is towards greater diversity and a multicultural work force. Faced with issues of employment, inequality, sexual harassment, the "old boys" network, glass ceil-

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confronted with stereotypic attitudes at the work place. Workshop will focus on how to deal with such issues.

Karen Narasaki, JACL Washington, D.C., representative, will speak on "Anti-Asian Violence and Hate Crimes, Friday, Aug. 20, and also at the closing session on Sunday, Aug. 22, on "JACL, the Clinton Administration and Issues of Civil Rights."

Event changes: The banquet will be held Friday and the Midwest District Council bash is now scheduled for Saturday.

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Torrance, Calif., charged with discrimination

Torrance, Calif., a suburb of Los Angeles with a large Asian American population, is under fire from the U.S. Department of Justice, alleging employment discrimination against Asians, Latinos and blacks.

Filed July 14, a civil lawsuit claims the city is in violation of Title VII of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and alleges that the city's fire and police departments denied employment opportunities to Asians, Hispanics and African Americans.

James Turner, U.S. Department of Justice acting assistant attorney general, said that the Justice Department is committed to fighting discrimination. "And where those barriers are found to exist, we will seek to make whole all persons who have been victims of the discriminatory practices."

Torrance City Councilman, George Nakano, speaking to Pacific Citizen, vigorously denied the charges.

"I find it an outrage. They're demanding we have parity with L.A. County demographics which is 54.6% where in fact when you go to basic requirements (to become a firefighter or police officer) which are high school equivalency and legal residency, it's cut down to 40%." said Nakano.

The lawsuit is seeking an end to discriminatory hiring and recruitment practices in the fire and police departments. In addition, for those affected by the alleged discrimination, the Justice Department is seeking back pay, offers of employment and retroactive seniority.

Nakano said that currently, out

of a group of 233 police officers, there are three African Americans, six Asians, and 15 Latinos. He said that four years ago he met with city officials, including the police chief, to discuss aggressive advertising for more Asian American police officers. While he thinks there should be more minorities, particularly Asian Americans, in the fire and police departments, Nakano disagreed with the Justice Department demands.

"To me it's like imposing the Justice Department attorney's own brand of racism," said Nakano, noting that the racial makeup of Torrance is different than L.A. County. "Torrance is 22% Asian, 10% Latino, and 1.7% black. Why should the city be required to conform to L.A. County demographics when our own demographics don't reflect that?"

JACL seeks applications for EDC intern

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) is accepting applications for the Eastern District Council Internship Program. The program places a college or graduate studentin JACL's Washington, D.C., office for threemonth periods during the spring and summer quarters.

Interns are provided with experience in working with JACL on public policy issues and the national political system. The internship is full-time. A stipend of \$1,100 will be provided per quarter.

Qualified candidates must be a college junior or higher, a member of JACL or the child of a JACL member, and have at least a "B" grade point average.

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program by Jan. 10, 1994 to: Karen Narasaki, Washington, D.C., representative, Japanese American

Citizens League, 1001 Connecticut Ave., NW, Suite 704, Washington, D.C., 20036

Craig Tanabe named summer intern

Craig A. Tanabe has been awarded the summer internship for JACL's Eastern District Council. Working out of the JACL Washington, DC Office, Tanabe will spend half of his time working on the EDC Education Project, the introduction of the JACL Curriculum Guide to public schools in states along the East Coast. The other half of his time will be spent helping with various legislative tasks, such as the Redress Education Fund appropriations, Justice for Wards Cove Workers Act, the Religious Freedom and Restoration Act, and Bruce Yamashita's

He is the son of Thomas and JoAnne Tanabe, members of the West Valley Chapter. Tanabe is going to enter his third year at the University of Chicago where he is working toward degrees in political science and French. He plans to attend law school and enter the field of law or politics.

Mineta: Let's avoid Asian undercount in Census 2000

Rep. Norman Mineta (D-Calif. 15th) called on the Census Bureau to learn from the lessons of 1990 and begin substantive consulations with the Asian Pacific American community for Census 2000.

Mineta, testifying July 29 before a House subcommittee on census in Washington, D.C., statistics and postal personnel on the data needs of minority populations, recalled the Bureau had first failed to consider the impact of two key proposals: (1) Combining Asian Pacific Islanders in 1990 as a single ethnic designation (which was retracted) and (2) use of the Post Enumeration Survey to provide estimates for potential

statistical adjustment to correct for the undercount (which was later produced for the Pacific census region-California, Oregon, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii—and New York City).

"The Asian Pacific American community has no reasons to believe the Census Bureau will take us into account unless we force them to do so," the San Jose congressman said. "The burden lies on the Census Bureau to change that situation, and that can only happen through solid action. Words won't do it," he declared.

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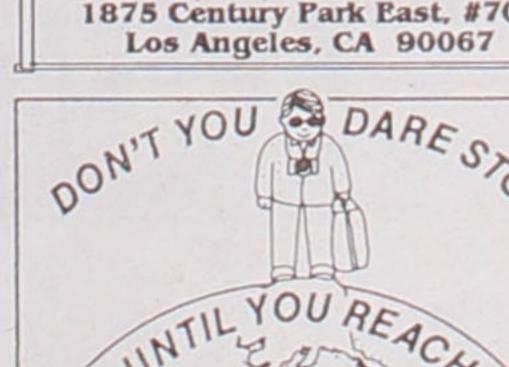
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Clinton plan on gays in military is disappointing

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) expressed dissatisfaction with President Clinton's July 21 compromise proposal on gays in the military.

Clinton's proposal would allow gays and lesbians to serve in the military as long as they keep their sexual preferences to themselves. In turn, the military would no longer ask military candidates their sexual orientation.

"'The don't ask, don't tell, don't pursue' compromise is unacceptable," said Karen Narasaki, JACL Washington, D.C. representative. "It continues a discriminatory ban and forces gay men and lesbians to live a lie if they want to serve their country in the military."

REDRESS

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Kimura stated, "JACL and NCRR have been working with ORA to resolve the voluntary re-entrant cases. JACL is pleased with Turner's tentative announcement that ORA may grant eligibility to these claimants, most of whom were children whose mothers entered camp after their fathers joined the military. "We urged the Department of Justice to expand its eligibility determinations based on the changes made to the Civil Liberties Act in the 1992 Amendments, which give the benefit of the doubt to claimants," said Gen Fujioka, who attended the meeting as a special representative of JACL-LEC. An attorney at the Asian Law Caucus, he is providing legal assistance to many of the claimants. JACL-LEC, chaired by Jerry Enomoto, is providing some support for Fujioka's work on redress appeals. Other

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vices. Turner stated that ORA would

waii cases, noting, "We need to make sure we have all of the evidence." He also said that ORA was troubled by the Phoenix cases and needed help in developing acceptable guidelines. Reiko Nimura, one of the many claimants who, as a child, was sent to Japan in exchange for American prisoners of war, told her personal story. A lawsuit has been filed in California by the Asian Law Caucus on behalf of a group of these claimants. Turner asked for more information concerning the coercive nature of the exchanges.

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JACL: High court should review glass ceiling case

Organization supports appeal of woman lawyer denied partnership

The Japanese American Citizens League (JACL) has joined other organizations in urging the Supreme Court to grant review of Ezold v. Wolf, Block, Schorr & Solis-Cohen, a glass ceiling discrimination case in violation of Title VII. JACL joins the National Asian Pacific American Bar Association (NAPABA), Women's Law Project, NOW Legal Defense and Education Fund and 51 other civil rights, legal and women's organizations in the move.

In the case, Nancy Ezold, the plaintiff, was denied promotion in 1989 to partnership in the Philadelphia law firm of Wolf,

Block, Schorr & Solis-Cohen. A district court judge found that Ezold was denied partnership even though she had comparable or better evaluations than several male associates who made partner. The district court ruled that the firm had committed gender discrimination and found "a relationship between the initial negative presumption regarding Ms. Ezold, her failure to get career-enhancing assignments, and subjective critical evaluations of her work performance resulting in her denial of partnership." Subsequently, however, this ruling was overturned by the Third Circuit Court of

Appeals which held that an employer's promotional decision should be given great deference when the decision is based on subjective factors.

"Discrimination at the management level is a pernicious problem precisely because it is easier for bias to enter into subjective determinations undetected," said JACL Washington D. C. Representative Karen K. Narasaki.

"Employers should not be able to hide discriminatory practices behind the cloak of subjective promotion criteria. While the criteria may be subjective, they should be appropriate and fairly

applied," she added.

"Unfortunately many Asian Pacific Americans with outstanding credentials with frustration as less qualified peers often advance past them into management positions in both the public and private sectors," said JACL Acting National Director Carole Hayashino.

"The Third Circuit's decision in the case is an alarming departure from once settled employment discrimination law. This decision makes it very difficult for women and minorities to challenge glass ceiling discrimination and must not be allowed

to stand."

ineligible categories discussed include the Hawaii relocation cases which involve more than 300 individuals, and the Phoenix cases

where the World War II Prohibited Zone slit the Phoenix community into two areas, depriving members of the Japanese American community of essential ser-

not close their review of the Ha-

Grace Shimizu and Art Shibayama of the Japanese Peruvian Oral History Project presented the story of the Japanese Peruvians. Shibayama is one of about 300 Japanese Peruvians who were forced by the U.S. government to be removed from Latin America during World War II, yet are being denied redress on the basis of not being U.S. citizens or permanent residents at the time of the internment. The Depart-

tion issues in these cases. Patricia Okamoto of San Francisco spoke on behalf of the children born to instructors at the U.S. Naval language school in Boulder, Colo., during World War II, who were found ineligible. NCRR representative Dave Monkawa discussed the issues raised by the cases involving terminated mining and railroad workers, and NCRR representative Duane Yuri Inouye-Sanchez

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discussed issues raised by children born to the pre-internment evacuees. Also in attendance representing JACL was Grayce Uyehara, the former JACL-LEC lobbyist, who worked for the successful passage of the Civil Liberties Act. The NCRR delegation was led by NCRR President Kay Ochi and Miya Iwataki.

ASYLUM

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While Rep. Robert Matsui expressed concerns about the Clinton Administration plan, he said the proposal was at least a starting point for discussion of immigration issues.

"Reducing asylum review time and removing incentives for illegal asylum claims are laudable goals. However, if we are to enact any changes in asylum procedures, they must not undermine or sacrifice the ideals of due process," said Matsui.

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about the potential backlash of even well-meaning policies directed specifically toward prospective immigrant Americans. Asian Americans, many of whom are fourth and fifth generation Americans, will bear the brunt of any policy which holds people who look different as 'undesirable,' said Matsui.

While concerned about the impact of changes in asylum review policy, Matsui praised the proposal for providing additional law enforcement resources to clamp down on immigrant smuggling and the sale of immigrants as indentured servants.

Stan Mark, NAPALC attorney, said, "Those who are profitting from the smuggling and hiring of these immigrants should be prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law. However, before we increase penalties for smuggling or expand INS enforcement authority, we must make sure that existing labor and criminal laws are being fully enforced."

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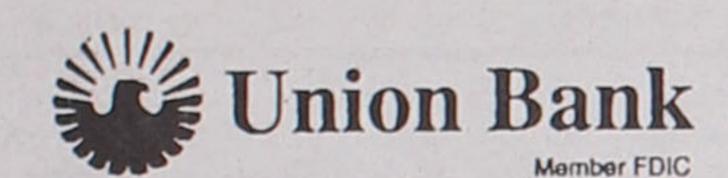
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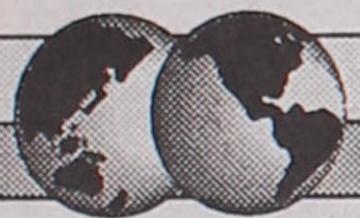
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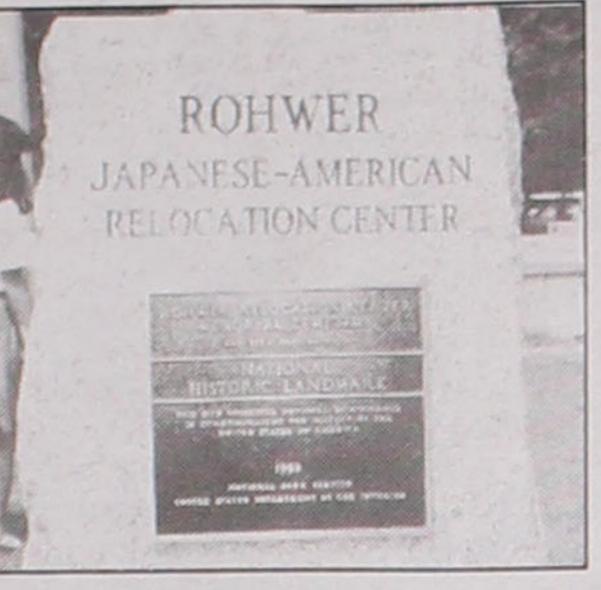
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Rohwer dedicated as U.S. National Historic Landmark

By SEICHI SUGINO Special to the Pacific Citizen

ROHWER, Ark .- A fourth monument with plaque was unveiled on Saturday, July 10, designating the Rohwer Relocation Center Memorial Cemetery as a National Historic Landmark.

Speaking at the ceremony were U.S. Sen. Dale Bumpers (D-Ark.), Hershel Gober, deputy secretary of veterans affairs, both from Washington; Clark Dixon, superintendent, Arkansas Parks and Tourism Service; and George Sakaguchi, St. Louis JACLer who chaired the fund-raising campaign for the monument and the designation upgrade in the National Register of Historic

Words of appreciation came from Robert and Richard Yada of Little Rock, whose parents, the Sam Yadas, maintained the WWII-era monuments since the camp was closed in 1945. Sakaguchi also recognized the support by McGehee Mayor Rosalie Gould, Delta High School, Judge Mark McElroy and to the late Earnest Gober, who with the Yadas maintained the site.



FOUR MONUMENTS—The original 1945 monuments at Rohwer Camp cemetery are at left and right in the background; the middle memorial lists Nisei soldiers killed in action and was dedicated in 1982 to Sam Yada for his restoration efforts and the just dedicated monument in front.

Remarks were also made by representatives of the Arkansas Department American Legion, Arkansas Historic Preservation Program, Gov. Jim Guy Tucker's office, and by Desha County Judge McElroy, emcee.

Joseph Watari of Culver City and Toshiko Tamura of Torrance measured and copied information of all four monuments at the site for a diorama to be on display at the Japanese American National Museum in Los Angeles.

33rd JACL convention planned for Salt Lake

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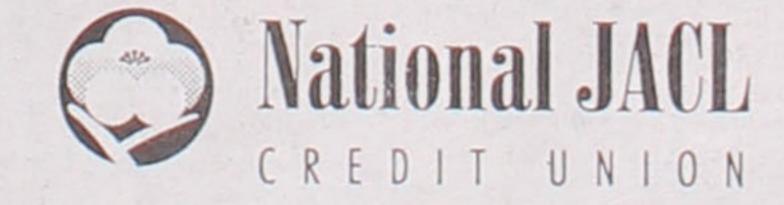
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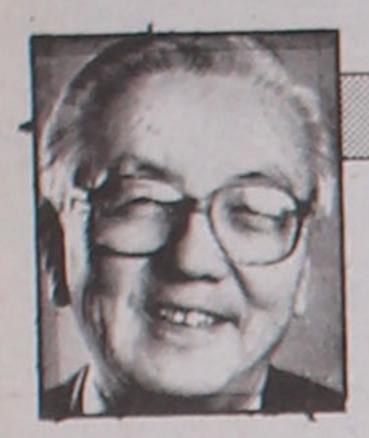
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Opinions



From the frying pan

BILL HOSOKAWA

How NOT to win friends

prominent and influential gentle man from Japan was in town recently and among other things he lamented what he considered to be the unfair treatment his country was getting in the American press.

What Japan should do, he said earnestly, was to buy a big American newspaper and publish the "facts" so the American people could learn the truth.

I could hardly believe my ears but he had more to say. Before World War II, he said, the Chinese had poured millions of dollars into the American media to promote favorable treatment for China and poison American attitudes toward Japan.

Journalistic ethics were looser then than now, but I told him I didn't think the American press had been bought. China didn't have to do anything like that to get press attention. All the Chinese government had to do—and did—was to schedule a speaking tour for Madame Chiang Kai-shek, a beautiful woman exuding the mystery and exoticism of the Orient who was smart and spoke excellent English. The press fell all

over itself in giving her favorable coverage because she was news. She did a masterful job of winning American sympathy.

If this prominent and influential gentleman has any smarts, he will go back to Japan and tell his friends that buying an American newspaper to be used as a propaganda vehicle is a bum idea. In fact, a stupid and naive idea that will result in an embarrassing backlash. He should tell his friends that Americans don't believe everything they read, and they consider it their right to ignore what they don't like. He should tell his friends that they can't make there point simply by spending money to put it in print.

And he would be wise to tell them that they already have the contemporary public relations equivalent of Madame Chiang if only they would permit her to go to work. Her name is Masako, and her husband is the crown prince.

She's smart. She's beautiful. She's poised and charming and diplomatic and she can converse intelligently in English or Russian or French and maybe some other languages. At a recent state banquet in Tokyo she had President Bill Clinton and a Russian named Yeltsin vying for her attention. Imagine what she could do on American television. If public relations is an important consideration, she is too valuable a national asset to be kept confined behind the cloistered walls of the imperial household.

I'm not at all sure my important and influential visitor agreed with me, even in theory. There are traditions, you know. And protocol and some hard-nosed bureaucrats who have dedicated their lives to protecting it. Times have changed, but not to that extent. And spending a lot of money in the right places in the media to influence American public opinion would be less troublesome.

And a sure road to disaster. PC

Hosokawa is the former editorial page editor of the Denver Post. His column appears weekly in the Pacific Citizen.



IN-SIGHT

LILLIAN C. KIMURA

Marching on ...

Plans for the 30th anniversary March on Washington are being finalized as the National co-chairs and conveners recently met in the District of Columbia. Joining me were Washington Rep Karen Narasaki and Pat Okura representing the D.C. Chapter. In 1963, Pat was the national president and with Mike Masaoka led the JACL contingent at that march. For him to still be involved and to march again is an indication of the indomitable spirit of the Nisei. A media fact sheet was distributed giving the reasons for the March!

"We march for JOBS, to be heard as one voice for the participation of all our people in the opportunities and responsibilities that America has to offer. . .

"We march for JUSTICE, to speak with one voice calling on America to value and to enhance our diversity — our strength and competitive advantage, because there is still discrimination on the basis of race, ethnic origin, gender, age and sexual orientation. We will not be divided.

"We march for PEACE, because there is

no peace in our neighborhoods... There is no peace in the world...

"We march therefore to speak with one voice — calling for investment in all our people, including the talented among us who are left out: The young who can be educated and trained to be productive; the adults who can be retrained to be competitive in a global economy; and the elderly and disabled who still have much to offer."

The two days of activities begin on Friday, Aug. 27 with a People's University on the Mall planned for and by youth. There will be workshops on the critical issues of today. There will also be a national live interactive teleconference, "The Dream Revisited: Views and Visions of the Second Generation." This is billed as a retrospective focusing on the goals and objectives of the 1963 March, where we are today and what it will take to move forward into the next century. There is opportunity to hook up to this teleconference by being a downlink site for a fee.

On Saturday, marchers will gather at

four stations on the mall where there will be preliminary programs and then at noon they will begin to converge at the Lincoln Memorial. About that time the co-chairs will go to the White House to present the concerns of the New Coalition of Conscience to President Clinton.

As in any undertaking, it requires funds to produce and as a co-convenor, JACL is committed to contribute to the effort. I have asked Pat Okura to assist in this fundraising. Should JACLers wish to contribute, please send a check to the National JACL earmarked for the "March on Washington." As of now, I continue to be the only Asian Pacific American co-chair and it will be important for our presence on the platform along with the key leaders of the civil rights and labor movement. We continue to implement the JACL Program for Action in significant ways. That's thirty for now.

Kimura is the JACL National President. Her IN-SIGHT column appears regularly in Pacific Citizen.



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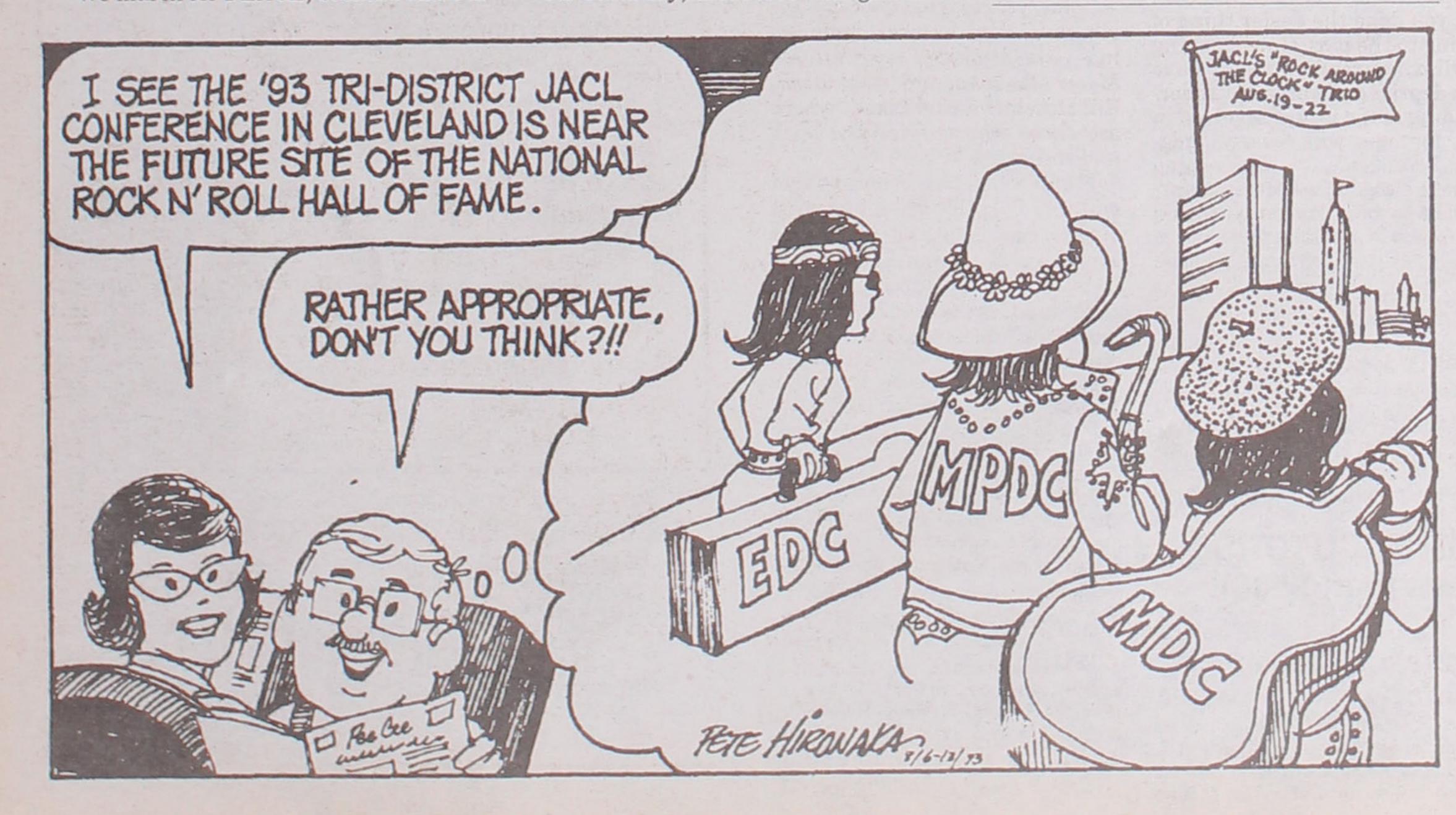
No matter where, racism must be fought, reader says

Mary Sutow (July 2-8, 1993, PC letter to the editor, "Reader Says Too Much Made of 'Jap Road' Issue) may think that racial slurs are insignificant but she is wrong. "Jap Road" does not merely "exist" in a small Texas town, it exists in a number of places around the country. It's in New York City where I attend law school and have been called "Jap" on the street. It's in Detroit where Vincent Chin was murdered because unemployed auto workers thought he was Japanese. It's in all places where people like Mary Sutow have chosen to ignore racism and bigotry in order to live in her so-called "beautiful and peaceful" world.

The world is always peaceful when people who have been treated unfairly refuse to speak up. But this peace is not real. Taken to the extreme, Mary Sutow's attitude would have allowed slavery to continue rather than "cause unneeded publicity." Forty years ago, our country probably seemed very peaceful when there were no uproars over racial slurs. In fact, it was so "peaceful" that some people didn't even realize that scores of black men were being lynched for acts as benign as walking on the same sidewalks as whites or looking "furtively" at white women. If history has shown us anything, it is that hate and bigotry thrive best in the fertile environment of indifference that Mary Sutow seems to advocate.

Some people would have us think that the best way to deal with a problem like "Jap Road" is to write a petition. The Texas residents who are presently arguing against renaming Jap Road, however, are doing so in spite of intense national pressure. It seems unlikely that these same people would have changed their ways in the quiet

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Come-on sense

BY KARL K. NOBUYUKI

No consensus on Rising Sun

What one can deduct from the recent commentaries on Michael Crichton's book and screenplay of Rising Sun is that it has at least unleashed a DNA molecule in JACL. Surely the opinions expressed in the P.C. are the most spirited in a long time and, based upon column inches surely one of significance.

The "Come-on Sense" line on this story is that there definitely "ain't no" consensus on this one.

l learned of the book from the Pacific Citizen when it was amidst controversy. There was general knowledge that a motion picture would be produced from the pages of the novel. There were several articles appearing in the local newspapers as well as a PBS television interview with author Michael Crichton. Opinions were made known about the novel, even by those who hadn't read the book. I knew I had to purchase the hard bound edition when I heard local SFV Chapter members talk about it. My curiosity "forced" me to find out what this was about.

As my wife will tell you, I am not an avid reader of novels. I'm more into reading computer manuals and technical reports

about digital compression, HDTV, time base correctors and high performance automotive products. But in the case of Rising Sun, I couldn't put the book down, everything else had to wait a couple of days until I finished it. Since then I eagerly awaited the book's treatment as a motion picture.

Of the six people who read the book at my urging, one felt the book was bashing Japan. The others thought it was an actionthriller.

There was no question in my mind that Connor had to be played by Sean Connery, but I pictured a Sansei/Yonsei or Eurasian in the role of Web Smith. What better contrast, I thought, could a casting director find than a youthful JA eager to learn more about Japan and his roots caught up in the intrigue of Rising Sun? In my mind, Cary Tagawa would have been perfect in that role. But so much for fantasy...

As far as the allegations of Japan-bashing and racism, I don't think so. There is too much in the body of conventional wisdom to discredit the story line with that. For example, Glen Fukushima's (former director of Japan Affairs,

Office of USTR) cautions about the ruthless nature of Japanese corporations operating outside of Japan and the importance of distinguishing between the romantic ambience of Japan and its hardball business dealings. Second, the extensive bibliography of familiar works (unlike Crichton's Jurassic Park) support the plot as action fiction. After all, it is a novel and not a historical/sociological dissertation. As far as bashing goes, there's a pretty good dose all around. Anyone for Congress-bashing?

Perhaps national JACL could use its national presence to meet and confer with authors, screenplay writers and casting directors and, acquaint itself more with the motion picture industry. Prescreening reviews may be too late to assure win-win solutions. Surely, the vast national network of the League could secure access if the leadership so desired. Unless of course, selecting the site of the next national board meeting is more important...

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Voices

BY BARRY SAIKI

A negative view of Rising Sun

On reading the July 23-Aug 5 issue, on the Rising Sun controversy, I was rather depressed by the double-speak manner in which Gwen Muranaka defended the movie.

Whether the film is racist or not, in the final analysis, will be decided by the impressions that the audience take with them as they leave the theater. The overall impact and the combined after-thoughts of the viewers will eventually be reflected in their words and acts, as well as their relations in the future with any Asian they may meet.

Reading the arguments offered by Narasaki and Muranaka, Itend to agree with Karen. Gwen writes well, however, if the movie is going to leave me squirming in my seat and if we are to depend on those who are able to see beyond one trait and one scene (she reports numerous scenes), I believe

that the movie will create more supporters for the revisionist cult. If the movie is lauded by Pat Choate, Chalmers Johnson and similar self-promoting experts, this may mean that Rising Sun is academically anti-Japanese rather than a rabid, red-necked anti-Japanese, and collaterally

If stereotypical anti-Japanese sentiments are fostered and repeated negatively under the license of literary freedom, these are bound to nurture and perpetuate anti-Asian attitudes.

anti-Asian.

JACL raised a big issue about Sanga Moyu, which was a Japanese TV drama written by a Japanese author. It was tabooed in the U.S. but was shown a year later in Hawaii, with no adverse effect. Rising Sun is an American movie written by an American with limited expertise about Japan, but as far as the American public is

concerned, he would be considered credible.

As for director Philip Kaufman's claim that efforts were made to be sensitive to the potential charge of Japan-bashing, the overlapping negatives superimposed throughout the film mean that he is providing lip service. Both Crichton and Kaufman wanted to leave a negative impression of Japan and Japanese, with JAs and Asians reaping the side effects.

They could have ended the movie with the Japanese equivalent of the CIA providing the key information and sharing the solution of the case, but then that would defeat the purposes of revisionists, as well as the perennial Japan-bashers.

Barry Saiki is president of the Stockton Chapter, JACL.

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of their own homes because a few signatures were put on a piece of paper. In fact, the most baffling part of this whole incident is that there are people who have devoted their time and energy to maintaining a racist name for a street. Maybe they are the ones who are "tearing up the community" in which Mary Sutow lives.

The term "Jap" is not neutral. It is not a compliment or a term of endearment. It is no less inflammatory now than it was 50 years ago when my grandparents and parents were forcibly removed from their homes and put into concentration camps. The fact that this particular "Jap Road" is located in a remote countryside does not make it any less pernicious.

Paul A. Okada San Francisco

Likes PC's handling of Rising Sun

Bravo. The Pacific Citizen is showing its maturity and its re-

spect for the intelligence of its readers by printing two differing editorial views of the controversial film Rising Sun (PC 7/23-8/5). Had you done the easier thing of heeling to the party line, bashing the film, we readers might have been deprived of a broader understanding of the issues involved in it. I, for one, will reserve judgment until I see the film, armed with the cogent arguments forwarded by both Karen Narasaki and Gwen Muranaka.

There is no question in my mind going in that a blockbuster film that plays to the fears of the public can be damaging to the subject-in this case, Japan and the Japanese. But that does not necessarily make it racist. A dozen or so past "Russia-as-dangerous-enemy" films would have to be considered racistif that were so. Here, in viewing "Rising Sun," one would do well to heed Muranaka's point: there is a difference between a scene (film) that is inherently racist and a scene that depicts racism. The difference is critical.

Mei Nakano Sebastopol, Calif.

Reader disagrees with gays in the military

Some years ago, (Pacific Citizen published letters) denigrating (the book) They Call Me Moses Masaoka, and (its) author, Bill Hosokawa who asked "where are those who enjoyed the book and respected Mike?"

I pain today the letters-to-theeditor of Pacific Citizen has not a single one protesting Trisha Murakawa's endorsement of gay/ lesbians in the military. All this after our General Colin Powell's opposition. We should follow his directive.

Don't you think it would be nice for the Japanese American Citizens League to respect its Christian JACLers foundation which is the Holy Bible and the Almighty God who says to all (that) gay/ lesbian life is wrong?

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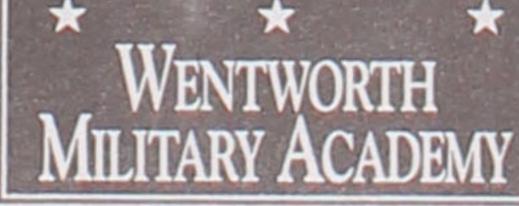
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Dairiki, Thomas N, 89, Sacramento, May 22; Hiroshima-born, survived by wife Grace, son Thomas K., 3 gc., 1 great-gc.

Egi, Tatsuo, 77, Tracy, June 5; Isletonborn, survived by wife Dorothy, daughters Carolynne Murphy, Keiko, sons Steven, David, gc., brother Masato, sisters Yukiko Yagi, Hanako Yagi.

Fukuda, Michiko, 70; Seattle, May 11. Hara, Motoko, 69, Daly City, May 15; survived by sons Mike, Hike, 4 gc., 2 sisters and 1 brothers (all Jpn).

Himoto, Tamayo, 98, Walnut Grove, May 14: Hiroshima-born, survived by daughter Natsue Endo (Stockton), sons Masao, Takeo, gc. and great-gc.

Inokuma, Genichiro 'Guen', 90, Tokyo, May 11; contemporary artist who studied prewar in France, mentored by Matisse and Picasso, divided his time between New York and Tokyo until stricken in 1974, part-time Honolulu resident, art museum in his name was dedicated in 1991 near his birthplace, Marugane, Shikoku; preceded in death by wife Fumi, they were childless.

Iwata, James M, 82, Sacramento, May 30: Fresno-born, survived by wife Miyoko, sons Dennis, Donald, daughter-in-law Mieko, gc., sister Helen Tanaka, brother Frank

Kadoi, Aetna Setsuo, 83, Marysville, May 21; Montebello-born, survived by wife Hatsune, son Steve, daughters Carolyn Manji, Sharon Chinn, Lynette Guevera, gc.

Minami, Ryan P., 37; Ontario, Ore., June 5 at Portland Veterans Hospital; Detroit-born Sansei, Army veteran and employed by Tectronix in Beaverston and Vancouver, survived by mother and stepfather Margaret and Jack Pence (Ontario), brother Robert (Chicago), sisters Sheryl Holloway (Payette), Shelley Bridenbach, Kathy Duncan, Darcy Smith (Sneads Ferry, N.C.), stepmother, Dixie Minami-Hess (Portland).

Oda, Edward Nobuyoshi, 69, Los Angeles, March 5; Glendale-born, survived by wife Hanayo, sons Curtis, Norman, Glenn, 1 gc.

Shimabukuro, Tarusuke, 103, Honolulu, June 25; Okinawa-born retired sugar cane worker on Maui, moved to Honolulu in 1941, was caretaker and nurseryman at Maryknoll schools, survived by son Masaharu (Calif.), daughters Nora Oshiro, Charlotte, Laura Chun, Nancy Weaver (Okinawa), Claire Hadano (Calif.); 13 gc., 13 great-gc., 1 greatgreat-gc.

Sugal, Midorl, 71, Ontario, Ore., June 12; Patterson, Wash.-born prewar Portland resident, owned and operated as family enterprise, Eastside Cafe-Lounge, avid league bowling enthusiast, survived by husband Art, daughter Sondra Fair (Salt Lake City), son Jeffrey, (Boise), sisters Chiyo Tanaka, Rose Sugai (Los Angeles), 1 gc.

Taira, Ushi, 109, Honolulu, June 16; Okinawa-born matriarch, came to Hawaii in 1903 to join her husband in Maui, moved to farm in Waiahole, Oahu, growing papaya, banana, taro and other produce, outlived her husband Shingyu and four children; survived by daughter-in-law Edna, grandsons Douglas, Gerald, Daniel, 2 great-gc.

Takayama, Kimi, 68, West Los Angeles, March 7; Garden Grove-born, survived by husband Kameyoshi, sons Victor, Gordon, daughter Pearl, brothers Hideo, Akira and George Miyoda, sisters Masako Fujimura, Hisayo Tsuhara, Shige Honda.

Tashima, Tsuyako, 74, Anaheim, June 4; Honolulu-born, survived by husband Katsumi, sons Noboru, Kiyoshi, Tadashi, daughter Masako Shibata, 6 gc., 5 brothers Joe Hideo (Hawaii), Frank, Toshio (Hawaii), Shigeo (Jpn) and Satoshi Fukuda (Jpn), 2 sisters Yaeko Tamehiro, Miyoko Fujimoto (Jpn), sisters-inlaw Fujino and Yasuko Tashima.

Tuttle, Charles E., 78, Rutland, Vt., June 8; publisher who established a division in Tokyo in 1951, his family in book publishing since 1832 in Rutland, served as Army chemical warfare officer in WWII and Japan Occupation, throughout the 1950s he and his wife Reiko, who survives, criss-crossed the U.S. by car to promote his Japan titles. "I reviewed more of Tuttle's books than anyone else in the Pacific Citizen. His contribution to good Japan-U.S. relations is enormous."-Allan Beekman.

Williams, Mitsuko, 69, Gardena, March 3; Ishikawa-born, survived by sons Fred, Steven, sister Akie Watanabe.

Yamamoto, Okoto, 96, Los Angeles, March 5; Wakayama-born, survived by sons Kazuyuki, Kenichi (Chicago), daughter Yeiko Shishida (Chicago), 6 gc, 5 great-gc.

Ujiliye, Hajime, 94, Anaheim, June 2; Fukushima-born pioneer, survived by sons Akira, Satoshi, daughters Miki Ujiiye, Tsuruko Takeuchi (both Jpn), Frances Yanase, Elsie, daughter-in-law Masako, 19 gc, 14 great-gc.

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saying, "There is no defined chain of command, it needs to be clarified."

"Some method of communication, a checks and balances system, needs to be developed," said Kaneko, noting that he is currently working on a flow chart on communication.

"If something does happen at the local level, it's crucial that all levels of JACL be informed. Not to say that a chapter shouldn't take action subject to national's approval . . . and vice versa. It's important to be notified if an issue at the national level impacts at the local level. There has to be a greater awareness on all three levels (local, district, and national) that an action of one could affect the whole organization, and you enhance that (awareness) through communication."

In the case of Cinncinati Reds owner Marge Schott's racial slurs against Japanese, the Cincinnati Chapter felt that the local sensitivities on the issue were not re-

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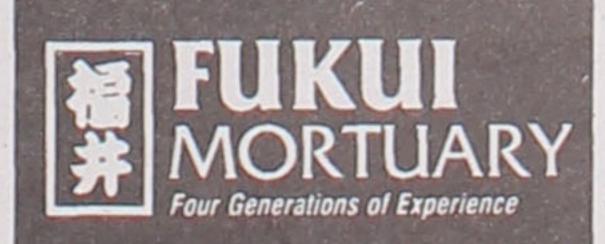
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Patricia Ikeda Carper, Cincinnati Chapter president, said, "National has to be careful because the local chapter is the one who has to live here everyday. So some consideration needs to be taken in that way."

Ikeda Carper said the chapter was making phone calls to Marge Schott and the Cinncinati Reds about conducting sensitivity workshops, when national JACL released a statement demanding that the Reds owner be fired.

"It made us look bad. Here we are trying to knock on her door and then we're asking her to be fired," said Ikeda Carper.

"We had our own view on (Marge Schott) and conveyed it to the Midwest District Governor, Bill (Yoshino), who then conveyed it to National. We would have liked to have had direct conversation with National," said Ikeda Carper, who praised Yoshino for keeping in touch with the chapter.

The Cinncinati Chapter president said a couple ways to improve communication would be to create a national JACL communications directory and for both national and the chapters to assign one person as communications liaison.

"It definitely takes someone who is willing to take the time. Every chapter needs to set up a budget for communications for postage and telephones. The idea is not so much to make more controversy for the organization, but open up more communication so controversy doesn't reach a head," said Ikeda Carper.

Hisami Yoshida, governor, Pacific Northwest District, said that she, the chapters, and Karen Yoshitomi, regional director, PNW, have developed a system of communication that works for the most part.

"Usually what happens if something occurs is they will tell somebody in their local chapter who will in turn get a hold of Karen or myself and we work together to solve the problem," said Yoshida.

The governor said she helps out when chapters request it, but for the most part she tries to let the chapters and members do as much as possible.

"One of the things I'm really strong on is allowing people their own voice. I make a point of allowing chapters to make statements and do the response that needs to be done," said Yoshida.

June Arima Schumann, president, Portland Chapter, JACL, said that for her as a chapter president the sheer volume of mail sent from national JACL is often an impediment to good communication.

"I get things in bunches and they are not distinguished in terms of importance within a packet of mailings. Sometimes several items are included and my guess is that unless a chapter president is meticulous about sorting mail, it gets lost," said Arima Schumann.

She suggested a special mailing, or an action alert, from national to chapters when important issues come up.

"From my perspective, nothing urgent has ever happened that required immediate attention. Things have always had a way of being addressed but with time," said Arima Schumann.

"My other response is, how we operate in Portland is we don't pay attention to whether National should be involved. Partly because of a lack of knowledge and experience on my part and other local leaders and part of it is we don't know who should be contacted."

Kishiue said JACL needs to better define roles and expectations for both volunteers and staff.

"There needs to be a lot of work, an emphasis on the members in the organization. We've got a body of people we're representing. If they lose confidence in us, how can we project ourselves externally?"

"There's a lot of wasted energy

and time spent when it should be a piece of cake," said Kishiue. "People transition quickly. There needs to be methods, procedures and roles. Then you know exactly who's accountable."

Kaneko said JACL's effectiveness on any given issue boils down to communication, coordination and cooperation.

"Use a two or three pronged approach on every issue, utilizing a strong grassroots coalition and balancing that off with appropriate media attention," said Kaneko. "If there's another venue, integerate your media advocacy and the venue with whatever your desired outcome is. It's important when chapters advocate, they have to know exactly what they want to accomplish. It needs to be real clear exactly what the desired outcomes are."

Acknowledging the inherent problems in communicating with such a diverse group as JACL, Kaneko said, "We have 113 chapters that are all autonomous and three layers of bureacracy. You're going to run into these things. There has to be greater sensitivity on both parts. National sometimes issues edicts that may affect a local area and vice versa."

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